

# NINE PLANES READY FOR OCEAN DERBY

## CAL'S FRIENDS STILL IN DARK ABOUT FUTURE

Uncertain About Course of Action in Supporting Other Leaders in Race

### SILENCE IS PUZZLING

Politicians Discuss Possibility of Drafting Coolidge for Third Term

BY DAVID LAWRENCE

Copyright, 1927, by Post Pub. Co., Washington.—The politicians still are puzzled about President Coolidge's wishes. Those who have come back from Rapid City have not been able to shed much light on what is or what is not a proper course for a friend and political supporter of Mr. Coolidge. To join a Hoover boom or a Lowden boom at this stage of the game is fraught with uncertain consequences—would the president really be offended?

This is the question being asked over and over again. Does he want the Coolidge strength to stay intact and draft him?

Uncertainty like this has not often troubled the politicians, so they have turned their thoughts toward an analysis of what Mr. Coolidge had in mind in the hope of finding therein some solution.

If Mr. Coolidge wanted to eliminate himself completely, he could have said definitely he would not accept—it is the prevailing comment the pro-Coolidge men make and in doing so they do not question the intent of the president to remain out of the race as an active candidate. On the other hand, if Mr. Coolidge is going to refuse a nomination, what has happened to make him reach a decision? A man does not lightly throw away a nomination which it was conceded was his for the asking.

### NOT HAVE OWN REASONS

Were there any reasons of personal convenience attached to the decision? This question more than any other is boggling up. The presidency is a confining job. It deprives the incumbent of freedom. He is guarded constantly by secret service men and so are his wife and son. A secret service man accompanies Mrs. Coolidge when she ventures out in public and young John Coolidge has a guest at Andrew Mellon's. Is life under such circumstances worth all the criticism and strain of president responsibility for more than five and a half years more? It has sapped the vitality of other presidents and broken them down.

So some politicians have come to the conclusion that something personal must have dictated the president's decision, something which makes the glory of continuance in office pale into insignificance beside the happiness and comforts that private citizens can secure.

If this hypothesis is all wrong, if Mr. Coolidge is strong and healthy and young enough to carry the burden for five and a half more years, then is the third term issue the reason for his withdrawal?

### HOPE TO DRAFT HIM

The political leaders who were ready to bring the Republican machinery together for a nomination by acclamation insist that this never was a serious obstacle to Mr. Coolidge's success. Many of them have therefore concluded for the most part to go on bombing Mr. Coolidge in the hope that the plan to draft him will ultimately cause such a commotion in the party as to compel his acceptance of the nomination.

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Youngstown, O.—(AP)—Mrs. Gladys Roy, noted as an airplane stunt actress, died here Monday night from injuries sustained when unknowingly she walked into the path of a fast spinning propeller, the blade tearing away her skull.

The aviator death eliminated another potential trans-Atlantic flier as she had been groomed recently for a flight from New York to Rome with Lieutenant Delmar E. Snyder as co-pilot.

Mrs. Roy, wife of Arthur Roy of Los Angeles, was only 25 years old, but was nationally known as a flier. She had established an enviable record as parachute jumper and held records for women for leaps of from 200 to 16,000 feet. She was known, too, as a flying movie stunt actress.

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## WALL STREET ASKS WHO'LL SUCCEED GARY

Considers Favorites for Post  
Made Vacant by Death of  
Steel Magnate

New York—(AP)—Wall Street conjectures Tuesday centered around more than half dozen in discussing the choice of a successor to Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the board of the U. S. Steel corporation, who died Monday.

The New York Times says persons in close touch with the organization indicated the new chairman already had been selected by "the dominant interests in the corporation" but his identity would not be revealed until the board of directors formally announced the election.

The best guess of the financial community, the Times says, is that former Governor Nathan Miller, general counsel for the steel corporation, will be named. The Times adds that President Coolidge was discussed seriously in some quarters as a possibility, but the general impression was that he could not be persuaded to take the post should the controlling interests in the corporation decide to offer it to him.

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Dessau, Germany—(AP)—Prospects of another attempt at a trans-Atlantic flight are extremely slight owing to the advanced season, one of the directors of the Junkers firm told the Associated Press Tuesday. He added that, even from the first, no flight was contemplated beyond mid-August.

Dessau, Germany—(AP)—Undeterred by the failure of the Europa and the Bremen to get across the Atlantic after starting from Dessau Sunday evening, the four pilots were looking forward Tuesday to another opportunity to make the flight.

Plans for a new start are to be discussed at a meeting of officials of the Junkers works, builders of the planes, representatives of the North German Lloyd and Darmstädter National bank, financial backers, and the four airmen—Cornelius Edward and Johann Ristiz of the Europa, and

George Kochl and Friedrich Looce of the Bremen.

The real dangers that beset the airmen in their unsuccessful dash became known when Kochl and Looce returned to Dessau. Fog and wind prompted the decision to turn back after the Bremen had gone a little beyond the west coast of Ireland. Edward and Ristiz, who were forced to leave their plane, the Europa, at Bremen, after encountering storm and fog, reached Dessau about the time the Bremen landed.

Kochl described the "storm and fog ridden night" how the winds towed with the Bremen, lifting it and pushing it down so that at times the plane barely missed the tops of trees.

"Twice the Bremen got out of control," he said. "Because of the divergence of our route and the fact that our battle with the winds forced us to use up our fuel at an excessive rate, we resolved to return after having negotiated the west coast of Ireland."

## Washington Trying To Guess Who Will Be Successor To Mrs Coolidge As "First Lady Of The Land"

IS NEXT PRESIDENT'S WIFE IN THIS GROUP?



Wives of Six Prominent Republicans Mentioned as Possible Choices

BY ALLENE SUMNER

Washington—Who is going to be our next First Lady?

The Colonel's Lady and Judy O'Grady may be sisters under the skin, but when one or the other is to be First Lady, the surface skin stuff begins to look rather important.

There are six ladies who, because of a recent famous sentence containing the verb "choose," are being considered for stellar roles in that great quadrennial comedy entitled "Our First Lady."

FAMOUS QUOTATIONS

We might introduce the sextet with some of their famous lines.

Alice Roosevelt Longworth—

"It will take more than official political life to keep me from being myself."

Mrs. Longworth, it may be recalled, has been herself since the days she smoked the first cigarette smoked by any woman in the country, rode a sacred elephant of Siamese, and stood on her head at state receptions.

Here comes Mrs. Herbert Hoover—

"I'm just a background for Bertie."

But she's been a rather energetic, vital, "background," translating books with him, inventing war recipes, feeding refugee children, and being director in her own name of such huge organizations as Girl Scouts of America.

Here's Mrs. Charles Day—

"Charlie's bark is so much worse than his bite."

And Mrs. Frank O. Lowden—

"I am just a wife and mother. I have taught all my daughters to be